

The Church and the "Typical" Family

by Brian Cunningham,
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For many decades, in our society and in our churches, the typical and ideal family consisted of a wife, a husband and a couple of children. The husband was the wage earner, permitting his wife to stay at home. Historians of the family inform us,

however, that such a nostalgic ideal never did exist to the extent that we thought. Sociologists tell us that this "typical" family is certainly not prevalent today.

What, then, is typical? The answer is obvious: typical is variety.

Family situations encompass many forms: single, married, formerly married, remarried and all with or without children.

Mary is not glad to be at church. No other place makes her feel so lonely. Mary is single and 32 years old. She feels different, strange and alone sitting in a sanctuary filled with couples and families.

Henry is quite out of place, or so it seems to him. Last month his wife left

him. After years of painful effort to stabilize their marriage the separation finally came. They tried, they prayed, but they still couldn't seem to prevent the "inevitable." The couple's adult Sunday school class offered Henry little relief. He wondered if perhaps he didn't deserve to feel this way.

Jane too is quite uncomfortable. Her husband is caring and supportive towards Jane, but he's not a believer. A sense of loneliness grips her every Sunday as she watches the other women take their seats beside their husbands.

Jane knows that as painful as this long cold hour every Sunday morning is for her, nothing is for her, would miss the Sunday school and youth programs she remembers enjoying as a teenager.

Mary, Henry and Jane represent some of the many segments of our church communities who speak of feeling like "strangers amongst us." In the Bible, leprosy was a problem that left individuals isolated and abandoned. Today we have other examples of this isolating experience. While alien to the spirit of the New Testament, the church often presents an awkward attitude to the many who represent divergent marital and family experiences.

In order to minister to all, the church needs to take into account these many

different family forms. Here are some suggestions:

1. *Embrace all forms of family in communications and structures.* The way the church talks often reveals its attitude towards inclusion. This does not mean that we need to drop the word "family" from our vocabulary. Rather, we need to convey a broader definition of family that doesn't exclude some from the life of the community.

2. *See the community as an extended family.* Many family units are isolated from the resources of their extended families. One can think of scores of situations in which the church community can function as an extended family toward each other. Nurturing the church in this way can be a major means of helping the problems of the isolated.

3. *Develop special support groups.* Homogeneity smacks of artificiality. "Parents without partners," "singles," "blended families," "hurting parents," "couples facing the empty nest," "widowed" and so on, all need to be as involved and part of the life of the community and they also need to allow their gifts and their experiences to be available for the support of others who walk a similar path. In an age where few can feel some- one by their side, most church communities are filled with potential mentors who can speak the same language.

Normalcy is not the "typical" intact family. It includes many forms of the family and many crises to face. What matters most is that we respond to these experiences of life in the context of the church and with the heart of its Lord.



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The Roy C. Spaetzel
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The Institute will equip people for a
wide range of Christian leadership and
service. "Traditionally, Bible colleges
and seminaries only reach a small por-
tion of the people in the church with the
opportunity to study theologically," says

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BIBLE BASICS UPDATE

Patricia Webb, dean of the Roy C. Spaetzal Institute for Life Long Learning, is delighted with the overwhelming response to the "Bible Basics" seminar offered to churches, students and members of the general public.

Diversity and Growth Mark the Tyndale Community

by **Barbara Haycraft**, Vice President Student Development, Tyndale College & Seminary

As I approached the holidays one of the joys for me was the anticipation of being with my family. We love being together. Like any family, we have had our bumps and crises. But, these ultimately have made us stronger, more committed to each other, and more thankful and appreciative of one another.

We gain energy by being together, communicating, sharing, interacting, and growing together. All of these elements apply to our Tyndale family as well. We gain energy by being together—sharing a common goal and purpose.

Thinking about the Tyndale family is like looking through a family picture album. Whether you have been a student, faculty member, worked as an employee, a volunteer, or contributed as a financial supporter—each of you has a "snapshot" in

the album. YOU are a member. Every family has certain characteristics. I have been reflecting on a few that mark the Tyndale family.

- We are people with a love and passion for Christ. What wonderful attributes. Whether you are contributing in your local church, neighbourhood, workplace, studying as a student, or serving on far-away mission fields—this is a common bond we share. Our past and future feel incorporate this primary commitment to Christ. We continue to explore old and new ways to fan this passion. We are a family that proclaims Him and promotes a purpose: "To educate and equip Christians to serve the world with passion for Jesus Christ."

- We are a healthy, growing family. Our numbers just continue to increase. This is due in part to the effective recruitment of students in part-time and modular streams and of course answered prayer. We are grateful to God for His blessing on our numbers.

- We are a diverse family of different ages, different races, and different denominations. We believe our diversity remains one of our outstanding family traits. We worship Him in a myriad of ways. We value creativity and diversity while promoting unity . . . one Lord . . . one faith.

- We are a family characterized by growth through faith. We know that . . . without faith, it is impossible to please God." It is with faith that we approach the new year with hope and expectation of what God will do, as we respond to both opportunities and challenges.

Aren't these wonderful characteristics? People of love, passion, prayer, praise, diversity and unity. I first became a Tyndale family member when I was a student at the seminary, then later as a graduate, an alumna and financial contributor. I now serve the Tyndale family as Vice President of Student Development. Perhaps your roles at the school have also shifted in emphasis over the years. Wherever your path has led, you remain an important part of this school, this tradition, and this family. I challenge you to remain involved as a vital member.

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Characteristics of Strong Families

There are many troubled and hurting families. However, there are many families who say they are doing very well. All families have problems, disagreements, unexpected crises, and stress.

Strong marriages and families have fewer problems and are better able to handle problems when they occur. Nick Stinnett, the founder of an annual national symposium on family strengths, has been studying strong families since 1976. In their book *Secrets of Strong Families* (1985) Stinnett and DeFrain identify the following characteristics of strong families:

1. **Communication.** Members of strong families have good communication skills and spend a lot of time talking with each other.
2. **Time.** Strong families spend time - quality time in large quantities - with each other.
3. **Spiritual wellness.** Strong families have a sense of a greater good and this belief gives them strength and purpose. This includes shared convictions about ethics, values, integrity, and faith.
4. **Coping ability.** Members of strong families are able to view stress or crisis as an opportunity to grow.

1. **Commitment.** Members of strong families are dedicated to promoting each other's welfare and happiness.

2. **Appreciation.** Members of strong

March 30 and meets Tuesday evenings 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. at Tyndale Seminary in room 102. For more information please call Gladys Chan at ext. 2186.

EVENING OF COMEDY

Professional comedians Steve Bridges and Steve Geyer will host an evening of comedy on Saturday, February 20, at 7:00 p.m. in Toronto at Bayview Glen Church (300 Steeles Avenue East). A special appearance will be made by Spide Sense. Tickets are \$6 per person in advance or \$8 at the door. For more information or to purchase tickets please contact Jennifer Julema at ext. 6737 or 1-800-663-6052 (press #1, press #1).

ART COURSE

It's not too late to join the winter art workshop! Classes begin on January 19 but those interested may drop-in for \$7 per session. The course runs until

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Patricia Webb, newly appointed dean of the Institute. "Through the Institute we're now offering programs that fit busy schedules, are affordable and can be taken without previous educational credentials. The response from individuals and churches has been tremendous."

Roy Clifford Spaetzal was born in the village of New Dundee, Ontario in 1903, the son of a harness maker and outdoorsman. In 1936 he founded Spae-naur, an international distributor of industrial fasteners with his business

partner, Howard Hesse-naur, and remained active in the company for fifty years. During his years of volunteer Christian service he was President for the Gideons of Canada, held membership on the boards of Eastern Pentecostal Bible College in Peterborough, Ontario and Kitchener Gospel Temple. As an amateur historian he published an extensive history and genealogy of the Witter family in 1977. For more information please contact Patricia Webb, Dean, Roy C. Spaetzal Institute for Life Long Learning at ext. 2709.

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OFF THE SHELF

Sabbatical Journey: The Diary of His Final Year

Henri J.M. Nouwen

Spiritual leaders who
are true servants are
both vital and com-
pelling. They are also
rare. Henri Nouwen
was certainly one such
leader. Our featured
book is reviewed for
us by Paul Johansen,
a long time Nouwen
devotee.

Andrew Bronson,
Tyndale Bookstore Manager

Written as daily entries which allow for it to be read straight through or as a daily
devotional guide, *Sabbatical Journey* comprises Nouwen's reflections on the last six
months of his life during which he was taking a sabbatical from his pastoral ministry
at the Daybreak Community in order to rest, pray and write. The journal entries are
Nouwen's reflections on the rhythms, ideas, feelings and experiences of each day during
this sabbatical period. Like his other journals they reflect Nouwen's special gifts of
being able to reflect profoundly and clearly on his daily life with uncommon honesty,
heartfelt spiritual sensitivity, powerful cultural insight and deep theological commitment.

Nouwen's days are filled with joy, sorrow, faith, doubt, friends, meals, movies,
travel, prayer, scripture, worship and reflection. The entries seem so commonplace
that one either concludes that this is not really what life with God is all about or that
this is precisely the character of the spiritual journey! This is the challenge that
Nouwen poses by sharing his own journey with us—that Jesus is known, loved and
followed most intimately and powerfully in the normal, daily flow of our lives.

A number of the specific features and themes of *Sabbatical Journey* should be of
special interest and come as particular challenges to readers. Nouwen's reflections on
the meaning of dying are fascinating in light of his own death. His affection for the
city and the surrounding area allows those of us who live here to see Toronto in a
whole new light. The commitment to the disciplines of sabbatical, journaling, com-
munion, friendship and prayer as spiritual and vocational necessities poses a definite
challenge for those who have not learned to live the faith with these practices as cen-
tral. Friendships are beautifully, tenderly and realistically portrayed. The honest
expression of the fears, insecurities, tensions and turmoil that come with following
Jesus in contemporary culture endears and encourages. A passion for God comes in
many ways, through people and places that are surprising, disarming and eye-opening.

Even as Henri Nouwen's journey has taken him to his final resting place, the gift
of *Sabbatical Journey* remains behind as a help for those of us who are still on the
way — exactly as Nouwen would have wanted.

Paul Johansen,
Ministry Formation Instructor, Tyndale College
Pastor, Good Shepherd Community Church

* Nouwen, Henri J. M. *Our Greatest Gift:
A Meditation on Dying and Caring*
Harper: San Francisco, 1994, 4-5

"Family Values!" - What this means depends on who is speaking.

In recent years the term "family values" has been used by some who
see a liberal-leaning society water down the meaning and importance of
family, opting instead for a definition devoid of commitment or discipline.
Many public leaders have also have let us down by failing to defend the values
and integrity of family life.

Marriage, the framework of family, involves lifetime commitment, a
culture-resistant vision which celebrates rather than denigrates an at-home
parent, parents who raise up children in love and discipline, and an under-
standing that the gift of sexual expression is biblically prescribed to be
within marriage. A strong understanding of family is critical to the survival
and well-being of humanity. I also believe that family is a vehicle of God's
grace out of which truth emerges, as it strengthens relations between children,
parents, grandparents and the extended family.

For us, however, the danger is smugness. Just because we understand
the importance of family doesn't mean we live as a family that well. Being
"in Christ" doesn't guarantee immunity from the baseness of human
dysfunction. Neither does life in Christ keep us from crashing about in
our own families, bringing harm to those we love.

Too often we hear of tragic stories of children whose parents, while
professing faith, wreak havoc in their families because of their own hurts
and misplaced priorities. The reverse is also true. Children, whether living
at home or away, may bring sorrow to parents. "Have a nice day" assume
unlimited emotional debt card and along with "Have a nice day" assume
that happy family life will result. God's gift of family calls for an incredi-
ble investment of time and effort; it doesn't just fall into our laps, nor is it
easily purchased.

After visiting the Temple at twelve, Jesus returned home to Nazareth
where He lived and was disciplined within the Palestinian family life. Luke
records four conversations of this family experience. Jesus grew in wisdom
- mentally, in stature - physically in favour with God - spiritually; and
man - socially. The integration of these elements called on Mary and
Joseph to give everything they had
Christ-centred families rise out of minds and hearts fed not by ideology
but by God's gift of grace and life in His Son.

Your brother in Christ,

Brian C. Stiller

Brian C. Stiller
President, Tyndale College & Seminary

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DATE	SPEAKER
February 24	Wafik Wahba, Faculty of Cairo University and pastor of Chapel Place Presbyterian Church
March 3	William McRae, president emeritus and minister-at-large, Tyndale College & Seminary
March 10	Milton Wan, senior research professor of theology and Chinese ministry, Tyndale College & Seminary
March 24	Brian Inkster, executive director, Prison Fellowship Canada
March 31	John Piper, author and senior pastor, Bethlehem Baptist Church
April 7	President Brian Stiller, Tyndale College & Seminary; special music by Master's Four
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Ms. Annette Dekker
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8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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May 10 - 21
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Dr. Desmond Ford
June 7 - 11
Monday to Friday
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Rev. Donald Goertz
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New Testament

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Dr. Andrew Lau
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6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

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Dr. Kevin Quast
August 2 - 6
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Dr. Glen Matheson
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Dr. Thomas Hwang
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Ms. Marlene Lefever
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Church Planting in

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Rev. Alvin Nicholson
July 5 - 9
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Exploring the

Revolution: Trends
in Youth Ministry
Dr. Mark Senter II
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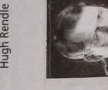
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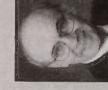
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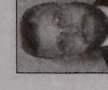
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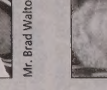
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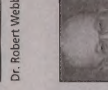
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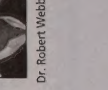
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Couple finds MTS studies energizing

by Rich Hutchings

Donna Pearson hopes that her MTS degree from Tyndale will better equip her for short-term mission trips each summer and long-term missionary service after retirement someday. Her husband, Winsley, plans to put his MTS studies to use in leading small group Bible studies at his church, and he's trusting in the Lord's leading beyond that.

Members of Pickering Pentecostal Church, Donna and Winsley are both small group pastors at their church and both sing in the choir. They came to Canada from Guyana, South America, in 1978. He is an engineer working as an office building project planner and she is an elementary school teacher. The MTS Modular format allows them to fit Masters-level studies into their busy schedules, and the fact that they can take the classes together is an added bonus.

The Oshawa residents drive in together one night a week, stopping for dinner at a restaurant before going to their evening class at Tyndale. "It seems to pull us together, as a couple, and I like that," says Winsley. Once at the school, they say the warmth of the people there and the quality of the teaching have enriched their lives.

"I used to be tired after work, but now I feel energized," said Donna. "Constantly drawing yourself closer to the Lord, you can't help but feel that way."

"I felt a slight need for further study after studying

Families - Our Heritage and Our Hope

In his plenary address to the Symposium about Families sponsored by each of the provincial governments in 1989, James Garbarino reflected on what he has learned about the importance of the family:

Through our families we are connected to the past - the distant times and places or our ancestors -

and to the future, the hope of our children's children. Although family life extracts psychological costs, families are the bedrock of human social life, a potent force for social stability and meaning. They are neither the reactionary and oppressive trap that some radicals see nor the bastions of sweetness and light that some ultraconservatives see.

But they are our best hope for humanity's efforts to achieve a sustainable society and guarantee family welfare systems. The challenge is to equitably balance power in families that now oppress women and children, and to enhance the power of family relationships to teach empathy, sympathy and ecology.

TYNDALE COLLEGE & SEMINARY PRESENTS:

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invitation



This Canadian arts competition was borne out of the vision of a group of people who believe that Christians need to engage in the culture in which they live. The goal of this competition is to promote the ongoing creation of quality and expressive art reflecting the faith of the Christian community.

Exhibition: June 12 - 18, 1999.

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For information on eligibility and how to enter please call Larry Willard at (416) 226-6620 ext. 2707.

Submission deadline is May 1, 1999.



Winsley and Donna Pearson (standing) and their two children, Abigail and Winsley, Jr.

in these small groups at church," said Winsley. "You're asked a lot of questions and you realize you need to know a lot more."

Both say that in addition to being able to study in the same classes together, they also enjoy moving through the 2 1/2-year format with the same group of students. "We're coming together so much and we're working and sharing and praying so much for each other," said Donna. "You feel a sense of God's presence."

Donna said their daughter, Abigail, has expressed an interest in attending Tyndale after she finishes her Bachelor of Education degree at the University of Toronto, and "probably our son, Winsley, Jr., will come along also someday."

Establishing Faith

"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth."
3 John v. 4

Dianne Nolson,
Tyndale Seminary



Dianne and Jim Nolson, mother and son, are only one of many generational family groups that study at Tyndale.



Jim Nolson,
Tyndale College

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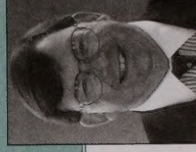
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Presentation Theme:
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April 15, 1999

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Reception 6:30 p.m.
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Guest Speaker 8:30 p.m.

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RSVP: Janet Winkler at ext. 6731 by April 2

Family Traditions



Louise and Samuel Chan are flanked by their sons, Clement (left) and Ambrose (right).

Couples urged to minister and study together

by Rich Hutchings

Louise Chan thinks couples that study together should be involved in ministry together. She and her husband Samuel are currently enrolled in the MTS Modular Program at Tyndale, and agree there are many advantages to being together in the same classes for 2 1/2 years.

Members of Scarborough Chinese Baptist Church, they are both ordained and have been active in ministry for years. A deacon for 23 years, Samuel is chairman of the church's Board of Directors, and has been involved with Sunday school and overseeing a couple of missionary churches. Louise has been a deacon for eight years, has helped with English ministry, and taught the baptismal class and Sunday school.

"I'm sure in the near future in the church, we should promote more and more husbands and wives working together in ministry," said Louise. "It's more effective, and it's a good role model for the family unit."

Residents of Scarborough, Samuel

and Louise came to Canada from Hong Kong in 1969. Their two sons, Clement and Ambrose, are both young adults, and that fact made it easier for Samuel, a financial analyst, and Louise, an employment consultant, to take time out from their busy schedules to study at Tyndale. Both were so impressed after taking a course in Systematic Theology that they subsequently enrolled in the MTS Modular Program, and plan to graduate in 2000.

Samuel said he found his Bible knowledge lacking at times when before knowing small group studies at church before coming to Tyndale. "I want to equip myself to be a better servant in God's church," Louise found a similar joy in more advanced biblical studies: "I believe God opened our eyes to see the riches in the Bible, and we wanted to explore more."

Both admit that the MTS Modular Program is a lot of work. "I have just been trusting God and wonderfully He guided me through the assignments and reading," said Samuel. Both are waiting on the Lord for His leading on how they can best serve Him in the future.

Sounds of Joy

To book **Sounds of Joy**, Tyndale's music team, call Aileen Lee at ext. 2185. There is no charge for performances but an honourarium to cover transportation costs is appreciated. The team's repertoire ranges from contemporary to Gospel to traditional.

Feb. 21: Waterford Baptist Church, Waterford, 11:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Mar. 7: Weston Park Baptist Church, Toronto, 10:45 a.m.; Redeemer Bible Church, Niagara Falls, evening

Mar. 21: Paris Presbyterian Church, Paris, 11:00 a.m.; Woodside Bible Fellowship, Elmira, 7:00 p.m.

Apr. 4: Lakeside Baptist Church, Hamilton, 7:00 p.m.

Apr. 11: Toronto Conversion Alliance Church, Toronto, morning; Stoney Creek Alliance Church, Hamilton, 6:00 p.m.

March 27:
Sounds of Joy Fundraising Concert
 Hooper Chapel, 7:30 p.m.
 Tyndale College & Seminary

Priorities and Paradigms

by Laurie Chong

Married couple and fellow Tyndale students Joyce and Leigh Stratton both agree that they see each other more at school than at home.

"It's been hard going to school at the same time because we don't have a lot of time off campus," says Joyce, a first-year Master of Divinity counselling major. "What time we do have at home is mostly spent doing essays on the computer."

Leigh, who worked as a registered nurse for 15 years will complete his post-diploma BBE this spring and is presently working as the pastor of the Collingwood Church of the Nazarene. Leigh says that having his wife at the same school has been a very positive experience.

"I think it's great that Joyce is at school with me. We get to see each other more here and we're able to bounce ideas off each other. There are some parallel things taught in the college and seminary. She's also helped me a lot with counselling issues."

He's always looking out for me," says

Joyce about her husband of 28 years.

"Leigh is always willing to do things like get coffee for me. I know he's delighted I'm here."

Joyce was born and raised in Meaford, Ontario. She studied at Canadian Nazarene College in Winnipeg, where she met Leigh, who was born and raised in Red Deer, Alberta. For 15 years Joyce has

worked in the health care field, initially with mentally challenged individuals and now supports senior adults in

Joyce and Leigh Stratton



insists that he hasn't changed his thinking, but that his horizons have been broadened by the many denominations and cultures at Tyndale.

So, what advice can a pair who has been married 28 years and who has raised two children give to couples on the go?

"It's important to set aside time to be together," says Joyce. "We try to have dinner or even just listen to music together regularly. This is what helps us get through."

GRADUATION 1999

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SPEAKER:

Dr. R. Neil Snider,
president of
Trinity Western University

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TO HEAR
FROM YOU...**

If you have comments or suggestions regarding the items featured in *Connection* we'd like to hear from you. A selection of letters that we receive by mail or e-mail will be considered for publication in future issues.

The Many Faces of Family

by Paul Friesen, Chair of Humanities & Social Sciences and Professor of History, Tyndale College

While leafing through the photographs on a calendar put out by a large evangelical organization that concentrates on the family I had a small revelation. A fairly narrow view of the normative Christian family was represented. Each family was of only one ethnic background and made up of only parents and their children. Once or twice perhaps a grandparent appeared. I have no reason to believe that families portrayed in the calendar were other than they appeared to be—happy and healthy and dedicated to God. But there is a real danger that Christians in North America may start to believe that the 'nuclear family' is superior to other family structures.

God has worked through all kinds of families. In ancient times in the Middle East, men like Abraham, Jacob

and David were the patriarchs of enormous clans composed of wives, concubines, children (and their wives and children), and servants. In New

Testament times many families were much larger than our own having grandparents, aunts, cousins and servants who permanently connected to the rest of the family and legally under the authority of the head of the household. The Bible is full of stories of these different kinds of families. In the Middle Ages early parental death and remarriage were quite frequent and thus 'blended families' were common. The 'breakdown' of the original family structure actually began about 250 years ago. In North America the practice of slavery tore

Paul Friesen



apart African families. In Europe, the poor crowded into cities to work in factories and were forced to live in one-room apartments, thereby separated from their larger clans. By the end of World War II, the 'nuclear family' (two parents and their biological children) had become common.

Where does the matter of adoption fit into our definition of 'family'? Adoption has been practised from the beginning and is evident in all sorts of families! Abraham considered adopting Eliezer, Moses was adopted by Pharaoh's daughter, Esther by Mordecai—other examples amongst the people of God could carry this story to the present. The essence of adoption is a 'covenant' of love: love is thicker than blood, what-

ever the reasons for the act of adoption. That is why St. John and St. Paul tell us that through Jesus Christ, God adopted us—so that we could cry out, "Abba, Father" (Galatians 4:4-6).

The majority of people in our churches do not belong to a nuclear family. Yet they still need to know the power of love in their own family configurations, whatever they may be. It is important to remember in planning our church programs not to leave out the majority—grandparents, childless couples, singles, the widowed, divorced, and single parents—those who are excluded by narrowly defined family ministries. Most of all, the practice of adoption should remind us to give thanks to our Creator and Redeemer, who has adopted us into the family of God.

Paul and his wife Dr. Janet Wright Friesen adopted their first child, Hilary Anastasia Hui Lin, last year.

Tyndale Benefits from Substantial Bequest

There were many thankful hearts this past October for the life of a man whom most at Tyndale had never met, but whose generosity and frugal lifestyle benefited every student, staff and faculty member at the school. The quarter million dollar gift from the estate of the late John B. Caldwell (1909-1998), was one of the largest single bequest ever received by Tyndale.

"The bequest couldn't have come at a better time," says Larry Willard, vice president of Advancement at Tyndale. "I was feeling quite nervous about our needs being met. We could see the negative impact the economy was having on our finances. With our student fees being subsidized by nearly 40%, it is imperative that the gifts from God's people come in at the right time. In answer to prayer, this blessing landed on our doorstep."

John Caldwell was familiar with the school since two sisters were graduates from the founding institution, Toronto Bible College, back in 1936. Both sisters, Alice Houser and Ruth Harrington, remember their brother as a man who loved the Lord with all his heart and always looked for ways to serve Him wherever he could. And serve he did! He was remembered by most as a simple man who lived well below his means so that he could give to the work of the Lord and stay in touch with ordinary needy people. He loved people, and his sisters remember he was always driving someone to prayer meetings or cell group meetings, mostly at Spring Garden Baptist Church, where he worshipped for over 45 years.

His nephew Dale Houser, a Toronto stock broker, remembers Mr. Caldwell as someone who worked hard in the garage door installation business that he learned from his father at 19 years of age, and which, with the exception of a four-year stint in the air force, he was still doing until his 70th birthday. He kept his late-model truck needed for that type of work even after retirement "so that he could still use it to do good deeds for people," says Dale.

Mr. Caldwell, whose parents were missionaries in South Africa for 7 years, was always interested in education, missions and spreading the Gospel. When friend and Tyndale Board member Geoffrey Moore talked to him one day about the work of the school, John knew it was a natural place for him to put his resources to work long after he would be gone.

Today John is with his Lord whom he served faithfully his whole life. John would have been 90 years old this month, and his legacy continues the work of preparing future workers for the Kingdom—whose ministries we trust will be as effective as his was.

"Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain" (1 Cor. 15:58).

For information on how you can leave your legacy working for the Lord's ministry, contact Larry Willard at ext. 2707 or at his e-mail address: lwillard@tyndale-canada.edu.



Life Long Learning Seminars

GETTING FROM HERE TO THERE: A Tool Kit for Managing Change Successfully in Today's Church

Speaker: Dr. Richard Earle
Date: Saturday, March 6
Time: 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Location: Tyndale Seminary, room #101
Fee: \$75
Pre-registration date: February 26

All who have answered the clarion call to "change things" know that it is an opportunity to grow in your faith because it will tax your patience. The overall aim of this workshop is to involve participants in developing and preparing to apply a framework of proven principles for leading a change initiative or for being an advisor to it in the local church.

MINISTERING TO THE SINGLE PARENT FAMILY IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Speaker: Eileen Morley
Date: Saturday, March 27
Time: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Location: Tyndale Seminary, room #101
Fee: \$75
Pre-registration date: March 19

The purpose of this seminar is to equip lay people in the church to bring hope and healing into the hearts and lives of the single parent family community. Topics to be addressed are: ministering to the single parent family through the church, children of divorce and how to develop a single parent family ministry in the local church.

TAYLOR-JOHNSON TEMPERAMENT ANALYSIS TRAINING

Speaker: Kelvin Mutter
Date: Saturday, March 13
Time: 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Location: Tyndale Seminary, room #106
Fee: \$75 seminar + \$320 materials
Pre-registration date: March 5
*space is limited to 20 participants

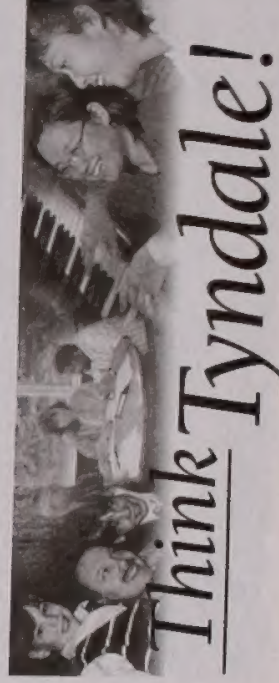
This popular seminar led by Kelvin Mutter, a certified T-JTA trainer, will provide training in the administration, scoring and interpretation of the "T-JTA." This is one of the most helpful instruments in both individual and couple counselling in the church, counselling clinic or private practice setting.

BASIC COUNSELLING SKILLS

Speaker: Sheila Stevens
Date: April 9-10
Time: Friday, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Location: Tyndale College, room #254
Fee: \$95
Pre-registration date: April 2

This ten hour course is designed to provide theoretical and practical training in the basic listening skills needed in all helping relationships. The course will provide a solid foundation for people involved in helping relations and nonprofessional counselling situations within the church, parachurch, work or home environments.

For more information on these seminars contact Patricia Webb (ext. 2709), Dean, Life Long Learning of Tyndale College & Seminary.



Please consider supporting the ministry of Tyndale College & Seminary when planning your estate.

Think Tyndale!

College Alumni

by Laurie Chong

While studying at the college, Lenore (Wright) Morris felt that she had the best of both worlds.

"Not only was I program full of practical knowledge, but I also had good Bible-based training," says the 1991 graduate of the joint Bachelor of Religious Education/Early Childhood Education program.

Lenore grew up hearing about the school from her father, Rev. B. Gordon Wright, who taught church history in the college arts department for a number of years before his death in 1994. Another source of influence was from her mother, Eloise Wright (née Miller) who was a graduate of London College of Bible and Missions (60) and is presently working in the Archives Department at Tyndale.

After graduation, Lenore began work at Immanuel Daycare in Scarborough, teaching a split junior/senior kindergarten class where youngsters were taught reading, math concepts, language skills and computers. In December 1996, Lenore and her husband Warren, also a graduate of the college (Bachelor of Religious Studies, 1993), had their first child, Emily. Warren, who transferred a number of his college credits to York University and completed a degree in psychology in 1996, works as the youth pastor at Calvary Church, where he and Lenore grew up attending services.

In September 1997, Lenore went back to work part-time at Immanuel. Since graduation, she has been working part-time on her Bachelor of Applied Arts



Lenore, Warren and Emily Morris

in Early Childhood Education at Ryerson Polytechnic University and has been heavily involved in activities at Calvary Church, including the worship team, women's ministry and teaching Sunday school. In the spring, Lenore and her husband are expecting their second child.

"It's an exciting time for us. I'll be putting many activities on hold then," says Lenore.

Although her life is remarkably different from her days of staying up late in residence, Lenore still keeps in mind the long-term value of her education.

"Years ago, when women graduated from the college, there were limited jobs that matched their credentials. Men were trained to become pastors or missionaries. But today, people want to study something that will give them choices job-wise and I believe that's what the college gave me."

Seminary Alumni

by Rev. Carol Smith

What a delight and comfort it is to be fifty years old and have the remarkable gift of experiencing the reality of these words in my own life.

I received my call to ministry when I was eighteen years into an elementary school teaching career that blessed me each and every day. It was a complete mystery to me what God was about in calling me out of work that gave me such joy and satisfaction. Added to that, "divorced", "female", and "adult survivor of sexual abuse" were labels that defined part of who I was. How was God planning to use me, and more immediately, where would I go, labeled as I was, to study and train for whatever that ministry was to be?

At the same time, I received a gift of God's healing grace, a new marital relationship. In it, my two children joined with my husband's four children and their spouses and twelve grandchildren to form a blended family of boggling complexity and challenge. But where would my new life fit in with the needs our new family presented for time and energy?

Ten years later, I am an ordained pastor with a full-time pastoral counselling ministry at Good Shepherd Community Church, a member of the Congregational Christian Churches in Canada. Not surprisingly, most of my time is spent ministering to the painful issues of family living, separation, divorce, remarriage, blended family building, and the family dysfunction that results in abuse.



Carol Smith

Such a unique ministry required a unique equipping. This was provided in part by life experience and substantially by Tyndale College & Seminary. The welcome I received honoured God's call on my life and did not reflect any judgement of those labels that some life experiences had led me to carry with shame. The courses offered stimulated and challenged me, and in their immense variety prepared me for the vast diversity of my ministry. Time-tableing and part-time studies enabled me to balance school, home and family, with only a moderate degree of craziness!

How good God has been in my life. How wisely and well He has blended all that I have experienced to enable me to share in His healing work amongst this family as He continues to provide healing in my own.

"When home is where the hurt is"

by Brian Cunningham

Family life is vulnerable. Families like individuals are experiencing increasing levels of stress today.

Stress is increasing in many families, partly as a result of external societal factors—rapid technological change that outpaces our ability to adjust, economic upheaval and uncertainty that threatens the security of our future, and the increasing demands on what appears to be the rapidly-diminishing commodity of time.

Stress also comes, however, from the increasing complexity of just being "family" today. Family life has simply become more variable and less predictable. Children, for instance, are expected to cope with more family flux (often precipitated by increasing vocational and geographical transience), many ambiguous relationships (particularly in the context of divorce and remarriage) and a thinner form of kinship as the connectedness to extended family diminishes. Due to the ongoing changes in family structure, both children and adults are related to more and more people, to each of whom they owe less and less. In step-families and sole-parent families, multiple roles often prove conflicting and confusing messages about expectations and responsibilities.

Mothers and fathers are increasingly unsure of what it means to be mothers and fathers as other social institutions (schools, peer groups, TV and other media) assume greater and greater influence.

ence in the lives of their children.

At no other time in history is being a family as difficult as it is today. At no other time in history are our expectations of family as high as they are today.

When this discrepancy is cradled in a cultural environment that supports violence as entertainment and rewards dominance over dialogue, even our most cherished and intimate relationships easily fall victim.

One of the great tragedies of our time is that our homes, where we hope for love, caring and understanding, are the very

places where

many

Canadians

are most at

risk of physical

and emotional

harm.

We often

think of the

family as providing a refuge and a

peaceful oasis from the frustrations of

the outside world. And many families

do supply these benefits, yet we are now

forced to recognize that too many use

some form of physical, sexual, financial

and emotional force intentionally and

repeatedly to coerce others into compliance. Our church families are not

immune.

The greater the power the more

dangerous the abuse. The literature con-

sistently reveals a pattern wherein the

strongest family members victimize the

weakest. Husbands direct violence at

their wives, parents direct violence at their children, adults direct violence at their aging parents. Historical and contemporary cultural, legal, and, unfortunately, religious forces often support these power differentials.

We cannot continue to define domestic violence as just "troubled" people with "individual pathologies" who "scite their differences" in ways that sometimes "get out of hand." We must recognize the social and spiritual conditions that give birth to violence. And taking heed not to foolishly think we are "standing strong," we must recognize that our families too are vulnerable to becoming "cultures of violence."

As a church community, we must continue to respond to the needs of individuals who are victimized by violence. We must continue to call out for justice in responding to offenders. We must continue to promote primary prevention programs in our schools and community agencies. But, most importantly, we as followers of the Prince of Peace must demonstrate the transformation of power under the influence of love. Transformed power becomes a "power" on behalf of "not over; a power "for" not against; a power of "enablement" not coercion. For such is the Kingdom of God!

We must recognize the social and spiritual conditions that give birth to violence.

弟兄姊妹能夠進入天進神學院接受嚴格的神學訓練，實在難能可貴。每位學生都希望能夠天天安靜禱告，專心上課，研讀神的話語。藉此，讓神聖潔去服事教會及建立一個基督化的美滿家庭。可是，事與願違。即如有些同道牧養教會不遑，因事務繁忙而疏忽個人靈修生活，導致靈命軟弱。加上人際關係出現問題，在不經不覺間，把教會本為「教會之首」及「基督之主」的原則置之腦後。結果在長期重負其空操作底下，服事牧養，難免會友生命深養大打折扣，因為牧師連自己靈命方面也有顧不暇。至於家庭生活方面，夫妻缺乏溝通，兒女疏於管教，夫妻家庭不和。每當教會榮華聚會時，只好在會友面前假假，表面和諧。其實同道連環的壓力與困局，絕不鮮有，亦非外人所能了解。若不及時研析下藥，這種痛苦將會帶來嚴重後果。感謝神！聖經多處教導我們服事教會及照顧家庭的平衡。讓我們彼此互勉，多積極禱，從中找到此舉精力及美好家庭見証的秘訣。(黃曉榮牧師)

Alumni Keeping in Touch

Please use this section as a prayer guide.

THE COLLEGE

► THE FORTIES

John Craig (40) rejoices in his move with wife, Norrie, to a wonderful retirement home in Houston, Texas.



Melissa Black (Homer 49) notified us of having recently celebrated 50 years of marriage to Edward (48) on July 5, 1998. Melissa wrote to share her joy and gratitude with all her friends from London Bible Institute.

► THE FIFTIES

Sylvia Dresser (58) asks for prayer as she and husband Ken prepare to leave Iran Jaya in the next month. Sylvia and Ken have been serving as nurse and physician respectively in a clinic there but due to health concerns need to return to Canada. Pray with the Dressers for a replacement minister who can continue to improve the availability of medicine and for their own families as they leave this uncertain situation.

► THE SIXTIES

Keith (60) and Anne Donald (Campbell 60) write that they were pleased to hand over the work of Secretary for Personnel to **Keith (64) and Sandy Roberts (Lamborn 63)** in January 1999. Keith will be resuming his work as a full-time chaplain.

Ruth Thomson (62) writes that after the passing of her mother in May she returned to her translation work with **Wycliffe** in Brazil in time to receive a strong invitation to begin language work with the **Syria**. Please support Ruth in your prayers as she studies the linguistics of this new, yet related, language and that the people will be open to her work.

Dudley (65) and Gillian Ward (65) are among the prayees and support as they seek to buy an attached property at their Christian retreat centre in Entrepreuses, France. Pray for their ministry to Christian workers as they provide a time of relaxation and renewal for ministers and missionaries across Europe.

Paul Estabrooks (66) has travelled to South Korea, Philippines, Indonesia, China, Iran and Brazil with his Open Doors Ministry. **Dianne (63)** continues to teach ESL and three year olds at City Centre Baptist Church in Mississauga, ON.

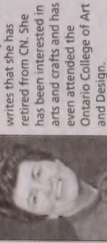
Angela (Smart 66) and David Morris (66) are living in Limassol, Cyprus. David works on solar food dryers to reduce hunger in developing countries and Angela is teaching English. Their adult children, Daniel, Nathan and Nigel, are studying all over the world.

Syd Page (67) is the Academic Vice President of Edmonton Baptist Seminary. **Faith (Warman 68)** and Syd have their e-mail address listed on the alumni website.

Pray with Carol and Don Pickel (68) in their work with Gospel Missionary Union as they are currently looking for a college recruiter who will visit Bible colleges across Canada. See more information on our website: www.tydale-alumni.ca

Continue to pray for **Judy Thiesen (Ott 69)** who is recovering from surgery to remove cancer from her colon. The prognosis is excellent but she lacks her usual vitality.

Carol Doherty (69)



writes that she has retired from CN. She has been interested in arts and crafts and has even attended the Ontario College of Art and Design.

► THE SEVENTIES

Darrell Hall (70) has been active in missions and ministry since graduation and has been teaching in public and Christian schools since receiving his B.Ed. from the University of Toronto in 1973. Darrell has continually upgraded his education in the teaching field while teaching at the elementary and high school levels.



els, Darrell and Joy have three children: Sarah, Sharon and Abraham-David.

Pray with Terry and Elaine Regnault (70) serving with The Evangelical Alliance Mission in France where they give leadership at a retreat centre. Elaine writes about a new opportunity to serve the Lord teaching in Lyon, "We feel like Jehoshaphat, that the battle will be lost if the Lord does not fight for us on many different fronts and in that a Christian school with high academic standards and an American curriculum be established to attract international business to the city. Pray with Elaine and Terry as they seek the Lord's will for their ministry."

Helen Klassen (70) married Jake Abrahams on July 24, 1998. Helen is active in public health nursing.

Margaret Burt (71) received her Masters at Fuller Theological Seminary and has been teaching around the world with the Salvation Army for 36 years.

Flo Friesen (71) is working as a mobilizer for Frontiers Canada on behalf of the unreached in Central Asia. She taught a three-week module on Mission Theology and Strategy at Steinbach Bible College.

Larry Dahmer (72) writes that he is heavily involved in his church, Evangelical Missionary Church, in Bowden, AB. teaching the adult class and serving on the Board. He also enjoys working with the Gideons, distributing Scriptures and serving their Red Deer Camp.

Gary Myatt (73) writes that he is in his seventh year working as a chaplain at the QEII Health Sciences Centre in Halifax, NS. After graduation from OBC, Gary studied for his Masters of Theology at Acadia Divinity College and his Supervisor in CPE with CAPPE. He and his wife, Jean, have one son, Sean, born August 29, 1994. Former classmate **Gerald Burke (79)** also works as a chaplain at the QEII.

Tom Oliver (79) is now the Director of Projects for AIM Canada. He asks for our prayers for his heavy travel schedule. Tom and Ruth (75) are now based in Preville, ON.

► THE EIGHTIES

John Dillon (81) writes that he is busy working with computers and managing the bookkeeping for the Institut Linguistik SL in



Sabah, Malaysia. John, Lois and their three children, Laura, Andrew and Benjamin, plan to be in North America in July for two months and ask for our prayers for a vehicle and a place to stay during their furlough.

Kathy and Emolito Yango (82) were engaged in church planting with OMF in Japan from 1985 to 1992. They returned to Canada where Erno was the Assistant Director of the Christian Community Centre at Yonge Street Mission. He also taught at Centennial College in the liberal studies department. Then in August 1998 they left for Davao, Southern Philippines where they plan to work among the Muslim urban poor. Pray for the Yangos as they serve the Lord in the Philippines.

Bill (81) and Bonita Wilkison (84) are nearing the end of their third term with OMF in the Philippines. Bonita has a teaching ministry with MKs at Faith Academy. Davao and Bill carries many administrative duties as well as a prayer ministry to fellow missionaries and tribal people. When Bill and Bonita return to Canada for furlough in June they will be based in the Ubridge, ON area.

Jim and Vicki Matthews (Thornton 85) rejoice in the birth of Zachary James on June 17, 1998, a little brother for Nicole.

► THE NINETIES

Gretchen and Mark Potma (91) celebrate the birth of Naomi Joyce, sister to Luke. Mark is planting a church and teaches English as an outreach in Prague, Czechoslovakia.

Mark and Roxanne Jenness (Booth 92) rejoice in the birth of Mark Alan, Jr. on October 25, 1998.

Emmanuel Palisoc (90) married Catherine Villena on October 28, 1995. Emmanuel is the associate pastor at Commonwealth Avenue Baptist Church in Scarborough, ON.

Rob and Patricia Sluys (DeVries 94) rejoice in the birth of Alex Jeffrey on July 11, 1997. Patricia is working at Christian Horizons in Thamesville, ON. She and Rob are active with the youth group at their church.

Bretton (95) and Mary Jane Murphy (Crouse, 95) have started working as dorm parents with troubled youth in his Mansions Ministries. Pray for them in this new role.

Judy McKay (96) and Bill Jewett (96) rejoice in the birth of Timothy John born March 14, 1998. Bill and Judy are pastoring a Mennonite Brethren church in Campbellton, NB. Their e-mail address is listed on the alumni website.

Daniel and Kara Martin (Riepma 96) work at Circle Square Ranch in Arden, ON. They have two children, William and Alida.

THE SEMINARY

► THE EIGHTIES

Olivia and Kelvin Yau-Chung Luong (81) have been serving at North York Chinese Baptist Church since 1983. They have adopted Isaac (8), Matthew (12) and Pia (7 months).

Sonia and Steve Dettweiler (89) ask for our prayers as they serve with Wycliffe Bible Translators in Nigeria. They are working with the orthography development committee to produce a writing system for the cLela language. Pray for Joel and Micah in their language development and for Sonia as she homeschools the boys.

► THE NINETIES

John Iseninger (91) writes that the adult literacy classes and the translation of story books and "non-religious" flyers into the Innuet language (Mozambique) has greatly improved the esteem of the local people for language study. While the Iseningers return for furlough in July, they hope to send their translation team to Bible school and are looking for help with this project, for more information, please call Sandy in the Alumni Office.

Karen (Hillmer 91) and Mark Petersen (91) served with Latin America Mission doing evangelism and Bible teaching in Colombia and the U.S. in preparation for a new role at OMF. Peter Petersen participated in the Philippines as a participant in intensive leadership training. They returned to serve as the new Directors of Personnel Development for OMF Canada in September 1998.

Bill Lippman (92) is the Associate Pastor of First Free Methodist Church in Moose Jaw, SK.

Edward Tsui (92) is now the Pastor of Chinese Youth Ministry and Outreach at Scarborough Chinese Baptist Church.

Alexandra (Beckham 98) and Jody Cross (95) were married in 1988. They live in Orangetown, ON and minister at Orangetown Baptist Church where Jody serves as Associate Pastor of Worship and Small Groups. They have three children: Jordan (5), Alyssa (6) and Hannah (2). Jody began "Heart of Worship Ministries" in 1996 and travels conducting workshops and seminars to help train and equip the local church for effective worship. Jody has just recently completed a worship CD of his own songs entitled, "Made for You." His CD is available at Tydale Bookstore.

Mary Jane Murphy (Crouse 95) see Bretton Murphy, College 1995.

Anita and Herman Chow (96) rejoice in the birth of Curtis (Joshua) on November 25, 1998. Herman is the pastor for English ministry at Richmond Hill Chinese Baptist Church. He is also studying for his Doctor of Ministry in Marriage and Family at Eastern Baptist Seminary in Philadelphia.

Kevin Dibley (89) preached the ordination service for **Brent Watts (96)** on November 1, 1998. Brent is the pastor at Claremont Baptist Church, Claremont, ON.

Nancy Bettridge (97) and her four children give thanks to God for his faithfulness to them. Nancy begins a full-time position as staff chaplain at Kingston General Hospital on February 1.

Peter Tymciw (97) called to let us know about the birth of Joshua Alexander on February 4, 1997. Peter and his family have recently moved to Barrie where he is pursuing creative ministries in God's will.

Scott Dakin (98) is the Equipping and Worship Associate Pastor of Community Bible Church near London, ON. Scott and Esther, along with their children Matthew (4) and Hanna (2), give thanks to God for his faithful guidance in their lives.

MEMORIALS

Bernice Adams 30, August 20, 1998.

Ruth Fox 55, November 25, 1998.
Distinguished Alumna 1997

Perry Ibbotson 56, November 5, 1998.

Edward Ninnis 40, September 7, 1998.

David Rambaran 84, November 18, 1998.
Catherine Williamson 48,
September 29, 1998.

Alumni News

For more information on the following items, please call Sandy Green at the alumni office at (416) 218-6789 or toll free at 1-800-663-6052. The e-mail address is alumni@tyndale-canada.edu



COLLEGE YEARBOOKS GALORE!

If you did not receive a yearbook for your graduation year, please contact Sandy in the alumni office. There are many copies of yearbooks for most years from 1965 onwards. We will be glad to ship them to you.

COLLEGE COMPOSITES

Class composites of the 1993, 1996, and 1997 graduates are available. Please contact Sandy to have your composite mailed to you. Seminary composites are still in progress.



ALUMNI MEMORABILIA

Donate your treasured college and seminary mementos and photos to the Tyndale Archives. Mrs. Elaine Wright will ensure that your valued pieces will receive the quality care and preservation they require. Generations to come will be able to see history through your eyes.



New Chinese Alumni Chapter

by Ricky Tsui, MDW Pastoral '98, Tyndale Seminary

We are glad to announce the formation of a Chinese Alumni Chapter. Tyndale College & Seminary has been equipping many ethnic Chinese and around the world. Since we are scattered throughout North America and around the world, there is a need for us to unite in order to strengthen our witness and reflect our true identity. We are a family in Christ with one spiritual home-town-Tyndale.

For those living in the Greater Toronto Area we have two special events coming up. For the Chinese New Year celebration we will be having a joyful gathering for both alumni and current students. In mid-April there will be a commissioning service for graduates. The dates will be announced through the mail. For more information, you may contact Ricky at (416) 715-9790. Current students may call Nancy Law at (416) 750-7222.

For those alumni living farther away, we are very anxious to hear from you. We want to know how you are doing. E-mail Ricky at rwtisui@angelfire.com. Thank you for keeping in touch. You are an encouragement to us and we want to be an encouragement to you.

舊生會中國同學部：告訴你們一個大喜的訊息：舊生會將有一個新的中國同學部誕生！在過去的日子，天道學院/神學院不斷造就華人信徒成為神的僕人。現在，我們正散佈於北美為全世界的家鄉。我們是舊生會。因為我們是一家人，源於一個屬靈的家鄉。天道！作為一個開始，我們預備了兩個聚會：(1)農曆新年聯歡會：是一個舊生會現在就讀同學聚會的好機會；(2)在四月中中的畢業生差遣禮與聚餐會。如果你對上述的聚會感興趣，請與舊生會聯絡。Ricky (416-715-9790)，而就讀同學請聯絡 Nancy Law (416-750-7222) 或親自聯絡她本人。假如你不能出席，我們仍然想知道你的近況，請寄電郵給我：rwtisui@angelfire.com。在此預先多謝你們的回應。你們的回應是我們的鼓勵。我們也深信你們的鼓勵。



ALUMNI

Allison Au '80	Dr. Andrew Kwok-Yee	Tom Wing Hong Lam '86	See See Cecilia Lui '89
K. Ching '82	Michael Leung '81	Charles Lee '86	Derek S.K. Ng '94
Henry K.L. Chu '89	Nona Mi Ki Leung '84	Gindy Yim-Ling Lee '84	Paul H.M. Ng '88
Brian C.F. Chung '93	Selina Leung '84	Rev. Paul Lee '85	For Ming Siu '92
Rev. Henry Kan '86	Li-Fang Rebecca Lo '94	Richard Lee '93	Bee-Lee Soh '92
		Kim Ching Tung '90	Kam Wah To '95
		Dennis Shue-But Wong '92	Jean C. Yeung '94

Please call or e-mail Sandy if you have an address or phone number.

Alumni Moving Forward

by Sandy Green,
Tyndale Alumni Coordinator

The Tyndale Alumni Transition Team is bringing new energy and focus to the task of rebuilding the Alumni Association and its relationship to Tyndale College & Seminary.

And tell me why I should be interested?

Alumni reunions. Bookstore discounts. Internet website. Half price audit courses. Alumni e-mail listing. Beautiful, discounted diploma frames with school logo. Internet career posting. These are some of the alumni benefits already in place and we are looking at much more! Two cents a litre discount from a major gas company. Regional events and reunions. Library membership discount. Mentoring program. Larger Homecoming celebrations with seminars and family fun. The Alumni Association and the Alumni Office are working for you!

Aren't most of these services designed for alumni who live close to the school?

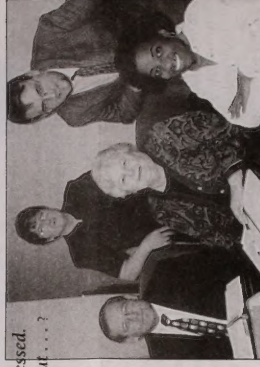
All of the services are for all alumni. Those who live at a distance can order from our bookstore by phone and still receive their discount. More substantial Homecoming celebrations make the drive worthwhile.

Services are one thing, but aren't relationships more important?

Both are equally important. Alumni have a right to expect good service from their school. We agree, relationships need to be re-established and nurtured. The Alumni Transition Team and the Alumni Office are currently working on developing regional chapters to increase the services and relationships provided to alumni who live outside the Greater Toronto Area. We need your input to make this happen.

OK, I'm impressed. But what about...?

We would love to hear from you. If you have ideas, comments, or concerns, please contact us. Let us know how we can serve you better and how you would like to have a role in supporting the school as well. This creates a mutually beneficial relationship.



Tyndale Alumni Transition Team members. Front: Rev. Godfrey Green (College '82), Laurie Schindler (College '97), Sharon Ramsay (Seminary '94). Back: Sandy Green (Alumni Coordinator), Rev. Jake Birch (College '93).

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT SEMINARS

Anger Management February 24 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)	Hidden Habits of the Heart March 24 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)	All seminars are held at Tyndale Seminary in room 102 and are led by Sheila Stevens and/or Brian Russell from Counselling Services. Seminars are free for students. Pre-registration for non-students is required and a \$10 fee applies. For more information, contact Brian Russell at ext. 2160.
Stress and Burnout: Management and Self-Care March 3 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)	Assertiveness: The Art of Standing Up for Ourselves March 31 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)	
Codependency March 10 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)	Study Skills: Exam Preparation April 7 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)	

LAST GAME of the Century!

TYNDALE ALUMNI FLOOR HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Saturday, March 27, 1999
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Pizza supper to follow.
All alumni are invited to cheer!

Faculty and Staff Notes

On November 5 - 8, 1998, nineteen pastors from across the nation met in Vancouver to form a Pastors' Council to represent the evangelical voice of Canada. Tyndale faculty Nelson Annan, Justin Dennison and Warren Lai were among the participants.

Elizabeth Davey, Professor of Literature, was on Michael Coren Live in November as a member of a panel discussing the legacy of C. S. Lewis. The talk show was one of many feature presentations in the Lewis Centenary year.

Dr. Harry Hahne, Adjunct Professor of New Testament, presented a paper at the annual meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society in Orlando, entitled "Theological Assumptions in the New Testament Citations of the Old Testament: Hebrews 1 as a Test Case." He also has been appointed to the steering committee of a five year research group on the Theology of the Book of Hebrews, sponsored by the Evangelical Theological Society.

Dr. Barbara Lai, Professor of Old Testament, taught "Currents in Old Testament Studies: The Postmodern Interpretive Situation" at the winter intersession of the China Graduate School of Theology in Hong Kong during January 1999. She also attended the Symposium on the Church Ministry of China held in Pasadena, California, sponsored by the Christian Leadership Exchange from January 19 - 21.

Dr. Wing-hung Lam, Research Professor of Church History and Chinese Ministry, gave a series of three theological lectures in the Theology Department at the Chinese University of Hong Kong over the Christmas period. He gave a public seminar on his new book called *A Half Century of Chinese Theology, 1900-1949* published in Chinese by the China Graduate School of Theology.



Tyndale College & Seminary invites fully qualified male and female candidates to apply for the following positions. The successful candidate will have fully embraced the beliefs and lifestyle of an evangelical Christian, and will support Tyndale's Statement of Faith.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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Dean of Students

An administrative faculty position reporting to the Vice President of Student Development. Responsible for the implementation and co-ordination of student non-academic programs and services including: student orientation, student discipline and probation issues, supervision & development of student councils and student advocacy with administration and faculty. Requires minimum of Master's degree, training in counselling, teaching experience and strong interest in student development.

For more information, or to submit a detailed CV by March 1, 1999, contact:

Barbara Haycraft, VP of Student Development
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Phone: (416) 226-6620 ext. 2702
Fax: 416-226-9464
e-mail: bhaycraft@tyndale-canada.edu

Director, Spring/Summer Session & Extension Education

Seminary faculty position responsible for planning and implementing Spring/Summer session as well as coordinating extension education sites across Ontario. Requires an earned doctorate (or ABD) in an area of theological curriculum, a proven record of administrative excellence, creativity in developing new initiatives, and a strong commitment to adult learning and non-traditional education.

A letter of intent, detailed CV and names of three referees to be submitted by March 1, 1999 to:

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Dr. Jim Beverley, Professor of Theology and Ethics, appeared on the national television talk show, *June Hawtin Live*, on November 12 to talk about Reverend Moon and Nansook Hong, Rev. Moon's former daughter-in-law. Just off the press is his *International Directory of the World's Religions: Canada 1998-99*, which he co-authored with J. Gordon Melton, published by the Institute for World Spirituality in Chicago. Dr. Beverley and Dr. Melton, Director of Research for the Institute for World Spirituality and Director of the Institute for the Study of American Religion in Santa Barbara, are collaborating on a number of publishing projects, and team-taught the "World Religions" course during intersession 1999.

Dr. Dennis Ngien, Visiting Professor of Theology, returned to Malaysia between December 10 - 30, 1998 to preach at three different churches on revival, and to speak at a pastoral conference. He also taught "Luther's Theology" at Knox College, Toronto School of Theology, during the fall of 1998.



Tyndale Registrar Dr. Stephen Roy continues to serve the wider theological academic

community in his capacity as adjudicator on a variety of Association of Theological Schools accreditation review panels at seminaries throughout North America.

Dr. Daniel Scott, Associate Professor of Intercultural Studies and Minister at St. John's Presbyterian Church, Bradford, taught "The Church and Its Context" on December 7, 1998 for the Perspectives Course at Young Nak Presbyterian Church. He also presented a workshop entitled "Ministering at the End of the Millennium" to a Christian family seminar held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Newmarket on February 13, 1999. He serves as Interim Moderator of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, King City and is a member of the "Stewards by Design" team—a national stewardship pilot project of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.



From November 20 - 22, Dr. Milton Wan, Senior Research Professor of Theology and Chinese Ministry, was invited to speak at a series of revival meetings and presentations in Ottawa. The meetings, attended by Christians, non-Christians and Chinese scholars, were organized jointly by seven Chinese churches and the Fellowship of Chinese Christian Professionals in Ottawa. Dr. Wan has just completed an academic thesis on *Christianity and Modernization of China* which will be published in January 1999. During the Christmas and New Year holidays, Dr. and Mrs. Wan were speakers at the winter conference of North Point Allegiance Church, one of the largest churches in Hong Kong. While in the country, Dr. Wan also gave a public talk on the "Millennium Bug and Spirituality Crisis."

ARTS WEEK

June 14 - June 19, 1999
Tyndale College & Seminary

Workshops Include: writing, musical sign language, mime, worship renewal, liturgical dance, music writing, drama, art exhibits, storytelling, sound, midi

Plus performances by different artists.

For further information please contact
Larry Willard at ext. 2707.

Money Matters

The tax-man cometh! While it's not an encouraging thought on a cold winter morning, it is helpful to be reminded that Jesus said to "Render unto Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's" (Mark 12:17). This means that we must give the government their portion, and we must also be diligent in giving God His portion. Webster's dictionary defines giving as "something that is voluntarily transferred by one person to another without compensation." Over the years, as our tax system has grown in complexity, tax benefits have become a very important factor in motivating people to give.

As Christians, we know we will have to give an accounting for everything entrusted to our care (Luke 16:2), and as such we need to be diligent in ensuring that God receives His portion just as "Caesar" receives his. With this in mind, any tax credit that the government allows us to claim is a bonus.

If you donate up to \$200 to a charitable organization, you will receive a tax credit of 17%. For any donation amount over \$200 you can claim a tax credit of 29%. However, once you take into account provincial tax savings resulting from your donation, you may receive a tax savings totaling as much as 48%.

As you seek to be a good steward of the resources entrusted to you, we would invite you to consider the ministry of Tyndale College & Seminary. Your investment in Tyndale is equipping leaders, reaching thousands of individuals in churches and the marketplace throughout Canada, and the world today.

If you have any questions, please contact Larry Willard, VP Advancement:
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Prepared to Go?

The TIM Centre can help you!

The Tyndale Intercultural Ministries (TIM) Centre in cooperation with Missionary Internship (Canada) is offering the following courses in 1999 for people embarking on ministry in another culture:

- 3-day orientation for short term Christian Workers (May 6-8, May 18-20 and November 11-13)
- 2-week SPLICE - Spiritual Resources, Personal Growth, Language, Interpersonal Skills, Cultural Adjustment, Enjoyment/Endurance - (July 6-20)
- 2-week PILAT - Program in Language Acquisition Techniques (September 13-22)

For more information contact Mr. Bob Morris, Associate Director, TIM Centre at (416) 226-6620 ext. 2708.